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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Jürgen RÖMISCH

Serial No.: 10/033,777

Filed:

January 3, 2002

For:

STABILIZED LIQUID PREPARATION

OF THE PROTEASE WHICH

ACTIVATES BLOOD COAGULATION FACTOR VII, OR OF ITS PROENZYME

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

## **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

In reply to the Office Action dated January 14, 2003 (Paper No. 5), Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (AMENDED) A stabilized liquid preparation comprising:

a. a protease or its proenzyme, wherein the protease or its proenzyme activates blood coagulation factor VII;

b. at least one compound selected from the group consisting of ornithine, diaminopimelic acid, agmatine, creatine, guanidinoacetic acid, acetylornithine, citrulline, argininosuccinic acid, tranexamic acid, and  $\epsilon$ -aminocaproic acid or their salts and derivatives; and

wherein said preparation has a pH from 2.0 to 8.0.

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